

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

July 19, 2001

James M. Jordan, Treasurer
Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee
430 South Capitol Street, SE
Washington, DC 20003

Identification Number:

C00042366

Reference:

Amended June Monthly (5/1/00-5/31/00), dated 3/22/01, 30 Day Post-

General (10/19/00-11/27/00), Amended 30 Day Post-General (10/19/00-

11/27/00), dated 4/9/01 and Year End (11/28/00-12/31/00) Reports

Dear Mr. Jordan:

This letter is to inform you that as of July 18, 2001 the Commission has not received your response to our requests for additional information dated June 27, 2001. These notices request information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. To ensure compliance with the provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act (the Act), please respond to these requests (copies enclosed).

An adequate response must be received at the Commission by August 8, 2001. Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered. Failure to provide an adequate response by this date may result in an audit of the committee. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action.

If you should have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Angel Williamson on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or our local number (202) 694-1130.

Singerely,

John D. Gibson

Assistant Staff Director Reports Analysis Division



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30 Day Post-General Report (10/19/00-11/27/00) and Amended 30 Day

Post-General Report (10/19/00-11/27/00), dated 4/9/01

Dear Mr. Jordan:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

The totals listed on Lines 11(a)(i) and 11(a)(ii), Column B of the Detailed Summary Page appear to be incorrect. Please be advised that you should add the "Calendar Year-to-Date" total from your previous report to the current "Total This Period" figure from Column A to derive the correct Column B totals. When an individual's aggregate exceeds the \$200 threshold, the amount should not be deducted from the Column B figure for Line 11(a)(ii). Please amend your report and any subsequent reports that may be affected by this correction.

-Schedule A supporting Line 11(a)(i) discloses a total of \$3,000 in memo entries (pertinent portion(s) attached); however, there are no itemized transactions or explanation to support the entries. Memo entries are used to disclose additional information about an itemized transaction that is included in the total receipts or disbursements for the current report or a previous report. Please amend your report to clarify this discrepancy.

-Your report discloses Memo Schedule A's totaling \$5,000 from Pennsylvania Fund 2000. However, there are no corresponding transfers-in from this committee disclosed on Schedule A supporting Line 12 of the Detailed Summary Page. Please clarify this apparent discrepancy.

-Schedule A supporting Line 17 of your report discloses a payment from AB Data. It appears this receipt was for goods and/or services provided by your committee. 11 CFR §100.7(a)(1)(iii)(A) states that "...the provision of any goods or services without charge or at a charge which is less than the usual and normal charge for such goods or services is a contribution." Examples of goods and services include equipment, supplies, personnel, advertising services, membership lists, and mailing lists. The term "usual and normal charge" for goods is defined as "...the price of those goods in the market from which they ordinarily would have been purchased at the time of the contribution".

Furthermore, Advisory Opinion 1986-14 states "...to avoid treatment as a contribution, the sale/purchase price paid to the political committee may not exceed the "usual and normal charge". Please clarify whether your committee assessed the usual and normal charge for the goods and/or services you provided and explain the steps your committee took in determining the amount charged. If your committee provided the goods and/or services at less then the usual and normal charge, the difference between the two is considered to be an in-kind contribution received by your committee from a corporation and is prohibited subject to the limits set forth at 2 U.S.C. §441b(a)

-Schedule A supporting Line 12 discloses two transfers from the North Carolina Democratic Party for \$100,000 each on 10/27/00; however, a review of the reports filed by this committee discloses making transfers of \$100,000 to your committee on 10/26/00 and 10/30/00 (pertinent portion(s) attached). Please confirm the date the transfer was received or provide clarifying information.

-Schedule H4 supporting Line 21(a) of your report discloses a payment(s) to another political committee(s) for goods and/or services provided by that committee(s). 11 CFR §100.7(a)(1)(iii)(A) states that "...the provision of any goods or services without charge or at a charge which is less than the usual and normal charge for such goods or services is a contribution." Examples of goods and services include equipment, supplies, personnel, membership lists and mailing lists. The term "usual and normal charge" for goods is defined as "...the price of those goods in the market from which they ordinarily would have been purchased at the time of the contribution". The usual and normal charge for services is defined as "...the hourly or piecework charge for the services at a commercially reasonable rate prevailing at the time the services were rendered." 11 CFR §100.7(a)(1)(iii)(B)

Please clarify whether your committee was assessed the usual and normal charge for the goods and/or services you received and explain the steps the political committee(s) took in determining the amount(s) charged to you. If your committee was provided the goods and/or services at less than the usual and normal charge, the difference between the two is considered to be an in-kind contribution by the political committee(s) to your committee and is subject to the limits set forth at 2 U.S.C. §441a. (11 CFR §100.7(a)(1)(iii)(A))

-Itemized disbursements must include a brief statement or description of why the disbursements were made. Please amend Schedule(s) H4 of your report to clarify the following description(s): Voter Turnout. For further guidance regarding acceptable purposes of disbursements, please refer to 11 CFR §104.3(b)(3).

The coordinated expenditure schedule (Schedule F) should disclose the following information: identification of the authorizing committee, the payee's name and address, the purpose of the expenditure as well as identification of the candidate supported, the date and amount of the payment and the aggregate general election expenditure total for each candidate supported. Please amend Schedule F by identifying the "respective state committees" that have authorized your committee to spend against their coordinated party expenditure limit. 2 U.S.C. §441a(d)

A written response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

Angel L. Williamson

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